

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 TEL AV 08716 282218Z

64

ACTION NEA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CCO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 USSS-00 CIAE-00

DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-04

RSC-01 PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-20 USIA-15 ACDA-19 IO-14

OMB-01 AID-20 DPW-01 EB-11 COME-00 INRE-00 DRC-01

/157 W

----- 101451

R 281440Z OCT 73

FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 313

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 8716

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: XF

SUBJECT: UPI COVERAGE OF EBAN REMARKS

REF: STATE 212632

1. TWO AMERICAN JOURNALIST SOURCES TELL US THAT UPI ACCOUNT OF ISRAELI FM AEBAN'S REMARKS, PARA 9 OF REF, IS HIGHLY INACCURATE VERSION OF WHAT WAS A BACKGROUND SESSION WITH FOREIGN NEWSMEN.

2. THEY REPORT THAT UPI WAS NOT PRESENT AND PRESUMABLY WROTE ACCOUNT FROM SECOND-HAND INFORMATION. UPI CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT IT DID NOT HAVE REPRESENTATIVE AT SESSION.

3. TERENCE SMITH, NEW YORK TIMES, WHO WAS PRESENT, SAID EBAN REMARKED THAT TOTAL ENERGIES OF GOI WERE PRESENTLY ABSORBED IN CEASEFIRE AND THAT CABINET HAS NOT DISCUSSED BLUEPRINT FOR SETTLEMENT. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION, EBAN DID TOSS OUT SEVERAL POSSIBLE SCENARIOS IN VERY GENERAL TERMS BUT NOTHING RESEMBLING UPI ACCOUNT. HE IS REPORTED TO HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT WEST BANK OF CANAL WAS NOT A "NATURAL" CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 TEL AV 08716 282218Z

PLACE FOR ISRAELIS TO RESIDE AND HE REALIZED THAT EAST BANK

OCCUPATION "CANNOT LAST FOREVER." ASKED WHEN NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BEGIN, EBAN WAS SAID TO HAVE REPLIED, "WE ARE WAITING FOR THE BIG POWERS TO TELL US." HE SAID HE ASSUMED NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE US AND USSR AND THAT THIS IS PREFERABLE TO ANY OTHER AUSPICES.

4. SMITH SAYS HE DID NOT FILE ON BACKGROUNDER BUT DID USE PARTS IN LATER STORIES. ABC CORRESPONDENT WHO ATTENDED SAID HE FILED NOTHING BECAUSE NOTHING NEW STEMMED FROM SESSION.

5. YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT UPI OFFICE HERE ALMOST TOTALLY STAFFED BY YOUNG REPORTERS WITH LITTLE BACKGROUND ON ME AND WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ADVERSE TO PUTTING UNRECOGNIZABLE WORDS INTO MOUTHS OF ISRAELIS AND AMERICANS HERE.
KEATING

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 28 OCT 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973TELAV08716
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: RR
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: TEL AVIV
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t1973106/aaaaaelf.tel
Line Count: 76
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 73 STATE 212632
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 DEC 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <28-Dec-2001 by shawdg>; APPROVED <16-Jan-2002 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UPI COVERAGE OF EBAN REMARKS
TAGS: XF
To: SECSTATE WASHDC
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005